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## IOWA COMMISSION OF LATINO AFFAIRS REPORT

July 2016-October 2016

### PROJECTS

ACTIVITY	DATE	COMMISSIONERS & STAFF PRESENT	SUMMARY
Centro Informativo Latino	Ongoing	Juan Rodriguez & Sonia Reyes-Snyder	The commission is currently in the process of creating a an online Spanish language Resource Center.
40 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Even	April 2017	Events Committee Jeannette Martinez Juan Rodriguez Marlu Abarca Sonia Reyes-Snyder	This event will have the following: 1. Resource booths for constituents 2. Food vendors 3. Dance This event will collect funds for scholarships for Latino youth in Iowa.
Orgullo Latino (Latino Pride) Awards	October 2017	Events Committee Jeannette Martinez Juan Rodriguez Marlu Abarca Sonia Reyes-Snyder	The commission will give Orgullo Latino Awards to an individual, a business and an organization. This award ceremony will be at the Department of Cultural Affairs and Awards will be displayed at the Historical Building.
Latin American Countries to visit Iowa	October 2017	Events Committee Jeannette Martinez Juan Rodriguez Marlu Abarca Sonia Reyes-Snyder	Consulate will visit Iowa for two days for the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meeting with Governor</li> <li>Q &amp; A at the Capitol with constituents</li> <li>Provide consulate services</li> <li>Present Orgullo Latino Awards to recipients</li> </ul>
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Meeting with University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics Administration		Jeannette Martinez Marlu Abarca Michelle Reuss Sonia Reyes-Snyder	Commissioners met with staff to discuss options for patients who need the hospital's services but don't have the ability to pay.
Cedar Rapids Latino Festival Informational Booth	09/18	Alejandro Pino Marlu Abarca	Commissioners provided information about the Commission, Welcome to

		Michelle Reuss Sonia Reyes-Snyder	Iowa Brochure and handed out gift cards that were donated by commissioners.
Latino Heritage Festival in Des Moines-Informational Booth	09/24 & 09/25	Jeannette Martinez Juan Rodriguez Marlu Abarca Sonia Reyes-Snyder	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Commissioners provided information about the Commission, Welcome to Iowa Brochure and handed out gift cards that were donated by commissioners.</li> <li>Attendees got their picture taken in front of our DHR/Latino Affairs backdrop holding a sign where they wrote positive messages about the Latino culture. (some pictures are attached)</li> <li>A video compiling all the pictures taken was emailed in the Newsletter.</li> </ul>
18 <sup>th</sup> Annual Latinx Professional Development Conference in Iowa City	10/07	Jeannette Martinez Marlu Abarca Sal Alaniz Sonia Reyes-Snyder	Sonia and Commissioners facilitated the Advocacy 101 track at this conference. Attendees got to know more about commissioners and how to teach their clients to self-advocate and where to gather resources.